QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY
(but not taken up)

Condition of Roads at Humnabad Bus Station

466 SRI BASAVARAJ PATIL (Humnabad).—Will the Minister for Transport and Minor Irrigation be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether it has come to the notice of Government that the condition of roads at Humnabad Bus Stand are in bad condition ;

(*b*) when the action would be taken in this regard?

SRI M. M. J. SADYOJATHA (Minister for Transport and Minor Irrigation).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Early action will be taken.

Bridge repair near Haveri

733 SRI M.G. JARTARGAR (Hubli) Will the Minister for Public works be pleased to state:—

(*a*) when the Bridge at Kunimellalli on the Poona-Bangalore Highway near Haveri was constructed ; what is its period of durability;

(*b*) whether expert Engineer's opinion has been obtained before taking up bridge repair works ;

(*c*) whether it is true that effecting repairs by "granting" system would not withstand for longer period though it was appropriate to reconstruct it by demolishing completely, if the bridge had completed its period of durability ;

(*d*) the name of the Contractor who has undertaken "granting" ystem of repairs and its expenditure and will the Contractor be held esponsible if the damage is caused to the bridge within the minimum period of 10 years?

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) Bridge was constructed during 1866. It is not possible to assess its period of durability specifically.

(*b*) Opinion of the expert Engineer's had been taken before effecting repairs.

(*c*) It is not true. Atleast 3-4 years are required to construct new bridge. Till then, the existing bridge is repaired for vehicular

traffic. The repair work is being undertaken by "granting system" and other precautionary measures are being undertaken.

(*d*) The "granting" repair works have been entrusted to Shri V. N. Masurakar, Contractor. The estimated cost of this work is Rs. 2.63 lakhs. The Contractors are not held responsible if the bridge is either damaged or collapsed.

Reservation of beds to the E.S.I. patients in General Hospital, Davanagere.

791 SRI PAMPAPATHI (Davanagere) Will the Minister for Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of beds reserved for E.S.I. patients in General Hospital, Davanagere ;

(*b*) whether its proper distribution is going on ;

(*c*) whether any complaint has been received in this regard ;

(*d*) if it has been received, the action taken by Government in this regard?

SRI A.K. ABDUL SAMAD (Minister for Health and Family Welfare).

(*a*) Twenty-Nine

(*b*) Yes

(*c*) No

(*d*) Does not arise.

Electrification of Villages in Afzalpur Taluk.

862 SRI M.Y. PATIL (Afzalpur) Will the Minister of State for Power be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether it has come to the notice of Government that Kollura, Batagera, Gobburawadi, Ramanagara, Mangalore and 14 Lambani Tandas have not been provided with electricity though Afzalpur taluk has been included under R.E.C. Scheme ;

(*b*) if so, when the Government would provide electricity to these villages ?

SRI G. H. ASWATHA REDDY (Minister of State for Power).—

(*a*) These five villages and 14 Lambani Tandas have not been included in R.E.C. Scheme and hence no electrification has been done.

(*b*) The question of requesting the REC for inclusion of these villages under the REC Scheme for providing electricity, is under consideration.